

5. The method of claim 1, wherein said cost accounting table further comprises a meter table and an account table.

6. A method for postage meter cost accounting using a web browser based shipping system comprising the steps of:

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- (a) operatively connecting a postage meter to a client;
 - (b) running a web browser program on said client for communicating with a web server;
 - (c) running a postage meter application on said web server;
 - (d) running a postage meter automation server on said client;
 - (e) communicating between said automation server and said web server using a script call;
 - (f) identifying a user account;
 - (g) performing a transaction; and
 - (h) updating a cost accounting table with information relative to said transaction.

7. The method of claim 6, wherein said script call is JAVASCRIPT™.
8. The method of claim 6, further comprising the step of transferring transaction information to a customer accounting system.

9. The method of claim 6 wherein said transfer is completed through extended mark up language.
10. The method of claim 6 wherein said transfer is completed by scraping.
11. The method of claim 5, wherein said cost accounting table further comprises a meter table and an account table.
12. A system for postage meter cost accounting using a web browser based postal mail shipping system comprising:
- (a) a postage meter operatively connected to a client for performing a meter transaction;
 - (b) a web browser program running on said client for communicating with a web server; and
 - (c) a postage meter application running on said web server, said postage meter application updating a cost accounting table with said information relative to said postage meter transaction;
 - (d) identifying a user account;
 - (e) performing said transaction; and
 - (f) updating said cost accounting table with said transaction information.
13. The system of claim 12 further including a means for transferring information to a customer cost accounting system.

